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#### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for the patent application identified above entitled PROTEIN-TYROSINE PHOSPHATASE INHIBITORS AND USES THEREOF are the following:

- 1. Response to Restriction Requirement (1 Page); and
- 2. Return Receipt Postcard

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# RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The following is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 7, 2005.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to one of the groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). The Applicants, by their attorney, now elect Group II (claims 2-14) and the compound of Example 23 of the specification for examination.

Favorable action is now solicited. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on all non-elected subject matter of the instant application.

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